

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	31432	Agenda Number	17.
Meeting Date:	March 27, 2014				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 36-month supply contract through the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance with HERTZ EQUIPMENT RENTAL CORPORATION for the rental of heavy-duty, commercial, industrial, and construction equipment and vehicles in an amount not to exceed \$432,000, with one 24-month extension option in an amount not to exceed \$288,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$720,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$72,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of the Fleet Services Department. Funding for the remaining thirty months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	Cooperative Purchase.		
Prior Council			
Action:			
For More	Jonathan Dalchau, Buyer II, 512-974-2938		
Information:			
Boards and			
Commission			
Action:			
Related Items:			
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.		
Additional Backup Information			

This contract will provide vehicle rental services for commercial, industrial, construction equipment and vehicles, dump trucks, backhoes, boom trucks, rollers, cranes, and other heavy duty-equipment.

All City departments are approved to rent vehicles under this contract through the Fleet Services Department. Fleet Services will serve as the single point of contact for all City departments who rent these heavy-duty vehicles and equipment.

Rentals to be provided under this contract are late-models units which utilize the latest technology in emissions control for off-road equipment. The units are capable of burning biodiesel (B20) fuel. In keeping with Austin Climate Protection Program goals, B20 provides an approximate 25% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions versus using gasoline and an approximate 5% reduction versus using petro-diesel.

This contract is the result of a competitive bid awarded by the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance. The cooperative purchasing program was established as a national structure for local government agencies to make use of their collective purchasing power and is authorized under the provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791, Texas Government Code.